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In response to the Office Action dated October 18, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Listing of Claims begins on **page 2** of this paper.

Remarks begin on **page 6** of this paper.